

REMARKS

The above amendments and following remarks are responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed August 11, 2004. The Examiner has indicated that the application is in condition for allowance with the exception of the identified formal matters. As such, prosecution on the merits has been closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. Allowed Claims 1-13 are pending. No new matter has been introduced. Entry and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Response to Objection of the Abstract

The Examiner has objected to the original Abstract of the disclosure on the basis that the Abstract "contains more than 150 words." Correction of the Abstract is required.

Applicant has amended the Abstract to contain less than 150 words, which obviates that Examiner's objection. On this basis, the objection to the Abstract is now moot and should be withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has allowed original Claims 1-13, without amendment and therefore without limitation. Applicant concurs with the Examiner's allowance of original Claims 1-13.

CONCLUSION

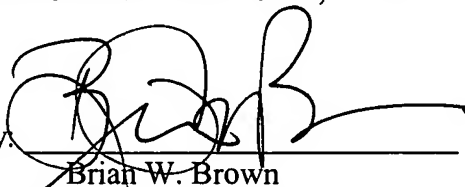
Applicant respectfully submits that since all formal matters have now been resolved and Claims 1-13 have been allowed, the application is in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

AUTHORIZATIONS:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the timely consideration of this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1232-5223.

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